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## TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

### MONTENEGRO RESENTS AUSTRIA'S DEMANDS.

### PEACE NEGOTIATIONS BROKEN OFF.

### Two Zeppelins Wrecked in Belgium.

### THE COMPULSION BILL: LATEST DECISIONS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

### THE TOLL OF THE WAR.

### LATEST CASUALTY LIST.

The following casualties are announced:—

#### Killed.

Lieutenant G. D. A. Clarke (Artillery).  
2nd Lieutenant M. J. Bowman (Middlesex).  
2nd Lieutenant H. S. Lambert (Yorkshire).  
2nd Lieutenant N. M. Lowe (Londonians).

#### Wounded.

Captain F. Hutchinson (Welsh Regiment).  
Captain H. S. Miles (R.A.M.C.).  
Captain Oakes Jones (Royal Fusiliers).  
Captain J. M. Williams (Northumberland Fusiliers).  
Lieutenant H. Pickett (Leicesters).  
2nd Lieutenant D. M. Grieg (Suffolk).  
2nd Lieutenant J. G. Henderson (4th Brigade).  
2nd Lieutenant A. V. Insole (Artillery).  
2nd Lieutenant J. H. Shaw (Scots Fusiliers).

#### Now Unofficially Reported Killed.

2nd Lieutenant A. V. Hobbs (Flying Corps).  
2nd Lieutenant Tudor Jones (East Lancs).

The following casualties are reported from the Balkans:—

#### Missing.

2nd Lieutenant H. H. Richards (Connaughts).

#### New Wounded and Prisoner.

2nd Lieutenant D. J. Cowen (Connaughts).

#### Now a Prisoner.

2nd Lieutenant A. A. Townsend (Munster Fusiliers).

The following casualty is reported from the Mediterranean:—

#### Killed.

2nd Lieutenant K. Greenway (Australians).

### ALLIED WAR COUNCIL.

### GENERAL POSITION CONSIDERED.

January 19, 3.55 p.m.

Reuter's learns that the Allied War Council held to-day, considered the general war position. M. Briand with other French Ministers, and also a number of naval and military officers, attended. The members of the Mission lunched with the French Ambassador, when Mr. Asquith and other British Ministers were present, while the French Ministers will be the guests of Mr. Asquith to-night.

### THE "PEESIA."

### GERMANY DECLINES RESPONSIBILITY.

January 19, 1.00 p.m.

The United States Ambassador in Berlin reports that no German submarine in the Mediterranean admits responsibility for the destruction of the P. and O. liner Persia.

## TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

### MONTENEGRO AND AUSTRIA.

### SURRENDER REPORT PREMATURE.

January 19, 4.25 p.m.

A French official wireless message says the report of the surrender of the Montenegrins was premature. It is now announced that the Austro-Montenegrin negotiations are broken off, the conditions imposed being quite unacceptable to Montenegro.

### ITALY'S STARTLING ATTITUDE.

January 19, 1.58 p.m.

The Italian Press, which has recently been strongly repudiating any suggestion that Italy has failed to support Montenegro, now comments most bitterly on Montenegro's surrender. It alleges that King Nicholas secretly agreed with Austria in October last for the eventual conclusion of a separate peace Treaty, and that her subsequent resistance was merely a sham. It maintains that the capitulation is merely an episode, and says the Austrians will meet very different resistance in Senj and Albania.

### BRITISH OPINION.

The British Press takes a sober view of the capitulation. It points out that the enemy jubilation is really a confession of weakness, because it is a triumphing over the submission of the remnants of a pigmy Army of the smallest Kingdom in the world. This is the first of their adversaries to submit after eighteen months of war, whereas Germany is weakening in speeding out, while the Allies are supreme on the sea and are preparing a shattering blow at her vitals.

### THE COMPULSION BILL.

### TWO AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED.

January 19, 7.00 a.m.

In the House of Commons, the Labourites accepted a Government amendment to the Compulsion Bill, designed to prevent industrial conscription.

The Government accepted an amendment providing that the Admiralty shall have the first call on the men secured under the measure.

Dr. Macnamara pointed out that the Admiralty had power to raise 300,000 men and they needed 50,000 more by March 31. They had already got 20,000 of that number. It was not anticipated that there would be any difficulty in getting the men required, but the amendment was in consonance with the spirit of the Bill, and would therefore be accepted.

The debate was notable for the maiden speech of Sir George Reid, who said the Australians thought that the only possible question now was not what our rights were hundreds of years ago, but what they were likely to be if we were licked. Incidentally, Sir George Reid repudiated the observations of Sir Ivor Herbert, who had accused Earl Kitchener of being wrong throughout in the matter of recruiting. Sir George said the opinion of Australians was that Earl Kitchener, in raising the Citizen Armies, had performed one of the grandest duties that any British soldier had ever performed.

### OTHER AMENDMENTS.

January 19, 12.30 p.m.

In the House of Commons, Sir John Simon moved an amendment seeking to invert the procedure under the Military Bill—namely, requiring those affected to go before a tribunal and, if they are not accepted, they should be placed on a Special Registry. If the total requirement should be substantial, they would be automatically enlisted by an Order-in-Council. The amendment was defeated by 283 votes to 53.

Major General Sir Ivor Herbert moved an amendment including in the Bill, not only those who were 18 years of age on August 15, 1915, but those who had subsequently become 18.

Mr. Walter Long said Earl Kitchener did not desire this amendment, believing that the Bill as it stands will give the men required for victory.

The amendment was negatived.

In the course of debate, Sir F. E. Smith mentioned that of the three million who had joined the colours there was not a single case where the death sentence had been carried out.

### SIR JOHN SIMON.

### NOT ACCEPTABLE TO LESTON.

January 19, 12.30 p.m.

The Lorton Liberal Club's ballot showed 7 to 1 in favour of demanding that Sir John Simon shall resign on account of his attitude on conscription.

## TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

### THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

### NOTHING TO REPORT.

January 19, 4.30 p.m.

According to Reuter's Paris correspondent, a communique says there is nothing to report.

### THE REIGN OF TERROR.

### FURTHER GERMAN BRUTALITY.

January 18, 3.10 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, a Brussels telegram states that four Belgian men have been executed for war treason, while a number of women have been sentenced to terms of penal servitude varying from one year to fifteen years.

### THE FLOODS IN HOLLAND.

January 18, 3.10 p.m.

A message from Amsterdam states that Queen Wilhelmina has visited Moankendam, Veendam and Birek, while Prince Henry has gone to Marlen, to condole with the victims of the recent floods.

### EXPORT FIGURES.

### ARE THEY MISLEADING?

January 19, 1.50 p.m.

The Daily News and the Daily Chronicle declare that the Morning Post's figures of exports to neutrals are misleading, because Holland and Scandinavia are merely importing from America and Great Britain what they formerly received from Germany.

### THE NEW POSTMASTER GENERAL.

January 19, 1.50 p.m.

It is understood that Mr. Joseph Pease, the new Postmaster General, will not have a seat in the Cabinet.

### THE "NATAL" CASE.

### A PRIVATE COURT MARTIAL.

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A Court Martial is being held at Chatham for the trial of certain survivors of the cruiser Natal. The proceedings are private.

### ZEPPELIN LOSSES.

### TWO WRECKED AND ONE DAMAGED.

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### GREEK FOOD PRICES.

### A TRADES UNION PETITION.

January 19, 1.50 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Athens, representatives of the Trade Unions have petitioned King Constantine against the exorbitant prices of the necessities of life and the unscrupulous speculation of traders.

### THE CANADIAN FORCE.

### DOMINION DEFERRING THE COST.

January 19, 1.00 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa states that, in the House of Commons, the Minister of Finance announced that Canada was entirely defraying the cost of the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

### THE GERMAN NAVAL LOSS.

### TORPEDO-BOAT BROKEN UP.

January 19, 1.00 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Copenhagen says that the German auxiliary warship mentioned yesterday as having foundered off Aero Island was the torpedo-boat Andor. She is completely broken up.

### THE RUSSIANS.

(Havas Telegram.)

January 18.

A Petrograd message says—Fighting is still proceeding in Riga and Dwinsk regions. The enemy is reported to have evacuated Pinsk.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

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## TELEGRAMS.

### NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

### CONDENSED.

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A telegram elsewhere gives the latest list of British casualties.

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### DONT FORGET.

### TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
De Villiers Moving Pictures.  
Kowloon (next to Post Office)—9.15 p.m.



## GENERAL NEWS

## Forthcoming Heavyweight Match

New York, January 12.—Joe Willard, world's heavyweight champion, conqueror of Jack Johnson, has been matched with Frank Moran, a prominent aspirant to the title. The bout will take place in this city on March 3 and the purse will be \$45,000.

## Mr. Taft for U. S. Supreme Court?

Washington, January 11.—Prominent lawyers all over the country and the different bar associations are urging President Wilson to appoint Mr. William Howard Taft to the supreme court bench, to fill the vacancy created by the recent death of Justice Lamar.

State Hotels in Queensland. The Queensland Government has definitely decided to enter upon the hotel business. It is proposed to take over the hotel now in course of erection at Mount Cuthbert, and to acquire the hotel at Kalkadoon, near Mount Cuthbert, while a hotel at Babinda has been practically taken over.

American Securities in England. "There is the best of reason," a very well known English financial critic writes, "for believing that in the aggregate the English holdings of American securities must run into some hundred millions of pounds, even when allowance is made for the sales which have been effected during recent months."

German Sent to Gaol. For entering a prohibited area without permission, Robert Julius Hamer, 64, a German, was at Liverpool sentenced to six months in the second division. He had represented himself to the police as an American citizen and the owner of estates in America worth \$18,000,000, and was at the docks inquiring what vessels were sailing for America.

The Origin of Archangel. There have been numerous references of late to the Russian port Archangel, which is now declared to be open for some weeks beyond the usual period, owing to the beneficent activities of improved ice-breakers. But the links of Archangel with this country are little recognized. Yet the account of a Norse trading expedition there in the ninth century was described, or translated, by no less a personage than Alfred the Great, and the modern town dates from the visit of an English voyager, William Chancellor, in the middle of the sixteenth century. Soon after that visit an English factory was established, a fort was built, and around this the town grew up.—Daily Chronicle.

Riotous Soldiers at Honolulu. Honolulu, January 14.—Soldiers of the Ninth Cavalry regiment, en route for Manila on the transport Sherman, created a disturbance here last night and had to be suppressed by the Second Infantry, which was called out to quell the riot. It is not known just how the disorder started, but the rioting was fierce and general, and when order had again been restored the Tenderloin district of Honolulu was a wreck and many additional patients had been taken to the hospital. The soldiers on shore leave also looted some of the stores and houses. The arrival of the Second Infantry soon quelled the disturbances.—Manila Bulletin.

Tod Sloan in America. New York, Dec.—James Tod Sloan, the former American jockey, who has been living abroad for seven years, returned to-day on the White Star liner Adriatic having been deported by the British Government as an undesirable, under the defence of the realm act. He said the British officials had mistaken him for a gambler. Sloan said he was playing for a moving picture concern, when he ran across Jeffrey Taylor, an army officer, who proposed a game of bridge, and the ex-jockey took him up to his flat in Bedford Court Mansions. "Taylor lost \$150," Sloan continued "and that started the trouble, as the police called to see me about it, and I was deported to America."

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## GENERAL NEWS

## Foreign Population of Osaka.

According to the latest official figures, says the Asahi, there are in the city of Osaka 1,380 Chinese residents, 75 Americans, 37 British, 18 French, 16 Germans, 9 Swiss, 2 Portuguese, and a Dane, a Hollander, and a Belgian.

## A Case of Rinderpest at Jijiko.

A head of the cattle imported from Saiton (Tsingtao) on the 20th ult. developed symptoms of a fever on the 2nd inst. says the Manchuria Daily News. It was pronounced a case of rinderpest and was killed. The carcass was reduced to ashes in the carcass destructor recently installed at the Marine Quarantine Station, Jijiko. The working of the new destructor was complete and left nothing to be desired.

## Labourites v. Catholics in Australia.

Melbourne, December 24.—According to statements made to members of the Catholic Federation, the central executive of the Victorian Political Labour Council has decided that delegates to the annual conference of that body, not only from branches of the council but also from affiliated trade unions, will not be admitted to the conference if they are members of the Catholic Federation. This is said to be really an extension of the prohibition against members of the federation belonging to the P.L.C.

## Drugs £8 an Ounce.

Some of the most important drugs have become so scarce that doctors are greatly handicapped, especially as it is difficult to find substitutes for some of them. This scarcity has resulted in exceptionally high prices. Atropine is 3d. and 4d. a grain (48 to 60 an ounce), while eserine (poisonous alkaloid) is worth more. Both these drugs are indispensable in ophthalmic surgery. The scarcity of atropine is due to the dearth of belladonna, the raw material from which it is extracted, which is obtained from Central Europe. Phenacetin, a popular headache and neuralgia remedy, is now twenty-two times the price charged before the war. Aspirin, another very popular drug, is now twenty times dearer than it was in 1914. Salicylic acid and salicylate of soda, remedies for rheumatism, are worth eighteen times their pre-war price.

## Working Hours of Women in Massachusetts.

Boston, November 30.—The State Supreme Court to-day ruled that the law limiting the employment of women to fifty-four hours a week applied to those engaged in mental pursuits as well as to those ordinarily described as labourers. The Court held that the working hours of women had been limited on the ground that they were under an industrial disability, and that the public welfare was injured by sifting deleteriously their natural vigour, adding: "This reason applies quite as strongly, where the labour is not purely physical, but is also mental. The words 'labourer' and 'labouring' have no hard and fast meaning."

## A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

## LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

(Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of January 20, 1915.)

## Britain's Financial Resources.

French issues of capital must be approved by His Majesty's Treasury. All conditions must be subordinated to the husbanding of the financial resources of the country for the successful prosecution of the war. No issues will be allowed for undertakings outside the Empire, while overseas issues will only be allowed where urgency and special circumstances are shown. The above restrictions do not apply to Treasury Bills and other short instruments of Colonial governments or municipalities.

## Turkey Still Losing Badly.

The pursuit of the Turks who were beaten at Karagumush continued. After a two days' battle at Jenikier, the Turks again fled in disorder after suffering heavy losses. Three hundred Turks were killed and wounded in a single charge made by the Siberian Cossacks.

## More Russian Successes.

We made a night counter-attack and re-occupied the lost trench at Gumine. All the Germans in the trench were killed. Two German counter-attacks were made, but were fruitless. The enemy also attempted two night attacks at Gulki, but was discovered by our searchlights and routed. Fresh attempts by the Austrian heavy guns to bombard Tarnow have been balked by our artillery.

## German Aviators Captured.

German aeroplanes flew over our positions in the Champagne region and were received with gun-fire. Two of the German aeroplanes descended in our lines, near Bar-le-Duc. The machines are intact and the four aviators were captured. There have been intermittent cannonades and fusillades in Argonne and snow and tempest have been raging between Argonne and the Vosges.

## New German O.M.G.

General Wild von Hohenborn has been appointed Quartermaster General of the German Army.

## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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### HONGKONG AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

The proposals contained in Mr. Pollock's letter and petition which we published yesterday deserve the very earnest attention of all our readers. Some few weeks ago, Mr. Pollock made good use of his position as an Unofficial Member of the Council to ask the Government of Hongkong to approach the Secretary of State for the Colonies with a view to the establishing of a more representative form of Government than has hitherto obtained here. The reply, as must have been foreseen, was a chilling one; such an one, in fact, as would have acted as a final rebuff to a less courageous man than the Member who had submitted the request. Mr. Pollock, however, is not easily daunted, in proof of which fact he has now asked the public of Hongkong to support him in an appeal to a higher authority: the Imperial Government.

He proposes that the Secretary of State should be asked to take measures for the appointing of four (instead of two) Unofficial Members to the Executive Council, that the number of Unofficial Members to the Legislative Council shall be increased from six to ten, and that the British Unofficial Members of the latter should be elected—half by the Chamber of Commerce and the other half by the non-official justices of the peace. Mr. Pollock, as though in anticipation of local comment on this last point, hints in his letter at the possibility of expanding it; indeed, of his sending a covering letter to the Secretary of State, suggesting that, instead of confining the right of voting to the justices of the peace, it might be well to extend it to all who can claim a voice in the election of members of the Sanitary Board. It would be ungenerous to say that at a time when the proposer is so manifestly seeking to act for the best; otherwise one might find it necessary to remark that no good purpose is likely to be served by drawing attention "in a covering letter" to the rights of the man who does not chance to be a justice of the peace, as a sort of afterthought. But let that pass. It may be that Mr. Pollock will yet see his way to making such alterations in the text of the petition as will dispense with the need for anything supplementary.

Mr. Pollock is setting out on a bold course, and he will need all the whole-hearted backing that the men of Hongkong can give. He is flying in the face of accepted tradition by making direct application to the Imperial Government; and he is courting a further snub. It is not right that the full force of that snub should be borne by him; if it is to come we had better all have a share of it—and this we shall accomplish by signing the proposed petition. When it is rejected we can sign another, and yet another, until the request is (as it finally must be) granted. The situation is far too serious to allow of men's being content to sit down and do nothing more active than grumbling. Unless proper protest is made, the present unsatisfactory state of matters will go on indefinitely—the Hongkong man continuing to have less voice in his own ruling than a labourer in a four-shilling-a-week cottage at home. Mr. Pollock does not mince terms in dealing with the present voting in the Legislative Council. Official Members, he very frankly observes, "are not free to vote according to their convictions." That is plain English, and, with all that it implies, the statement sums up the position. After all, the signatories will be asking nothing more than has been their right all along. Even though the petition may seem to suggest that some of us would fain see the Government outwitted by Unofficial Members at every turn, there is no man of sense in the Colony who would support any such Member as sought to thrust municipal interests unduly ahead of Imperial rights. It is not proposed, for instance, that a purely military or purely legal matter shall be roughly pushed aside by men with only a layman's knowledge of the subject, and dropped because the Government happens to be outnumbered. All that is asked is that the man in the street shall have a means—at present he has not—of enquiring, with satisfaction to himself, into the outlay of public money, and a voice in all local questions that are of an exclusively civic character.

### Honour to Whom

The Post Office authorities are to be complimented on having secured the conviction and punishment of a Chinese postman who was found to be stealing articles in course of transit through his hands and also with removing a ten-cent stamp from a letter. A thieving postman deserves all the punishment the law permits when his guilt is brought home, and the sentence of six months' hard labour which was imposed in this instance should serve as a warning to native letter-carriers here. There are, of course, black sheep in every flock, but, considering all the circumstances, the Colony appears to be fairly free from this sort of occurrence. When we remember the huge mails which the Hongkong Post Office handles—and we are afraid that point is often overlooked by the public—it will be admitted that detection of crimes of this character is not an easy matter. In the case under notice, however, the postal authorities evidently had their eyes wide open. They observed certain correspondence covers lying about, kept watch and eventually laid the thief by the heels. They are to be commended for their alertness in protecting the interests of the public in this way.

### A Discovery.

China has made the startling discovery that there is really something to be said for the science of geology. In a Memorial, the Minister of Agriculture and Commerce is at pains to point out that "the study and examination of the constituents of the soil and the geological structure of the land is of the present moment a science of great importance," and he comes forward with a further illuminating piece of information to the effect that "during late years" Western nations have applied their scientific knowledge to practical uses in various industries. After leading off in this way, the Minister advocates the creation of a special Bureau for the development of the science, remarking that China's extensive mineral resources "lie hidden in the earth on account of lack of scientific and technical knowledge on the part of the people." The movement, if it is seriously intended, deserves every encouragement, of course. But we have heard and read about this order-of-the-day scheme of this kind before, which have died in birth. The biological ignorance of the people is not the root cause of the failure to develop the country's mineral resources. The real reason can be expressed in one word—"Squeeze."

### Afforestation.

There is one matter, however, in regard to which China appears to be inclined to make a serious attempt at improvement—namely, afforestation. Two distinguished foreign advisers have been appointed to take this problem in hand, and if they are only given a free hand they should be able to lay the foundations of a better state of affairs than now exists. We read an interesting statement on this subject a day or so ago, a Peking paper remarking that "with a view to stimulating the people's enthusiasm for forestry, the Emperor-Elect will, on the day of his enthronement, personally plant a few trees." The ceremony will no doubt be a picturesque one, but we may perhaps be pardoned for doubting whether it will have any overwhelming effect in influencing the people to restrain themselves in their notorious habit of denuding the countryside of wood. A carefully-planned scheme of re-afforestation, and strictly-enforced laws against tree-stripping, will alone provide the real remedy.

### The Proposed Women's Medical College in Madras.

The Government is taking steps to discover the extent of the need for the proposed medical college for women in Madras, says the *Advocate of India*. A circular has been sent to all the district medical and sanitary officers in the Presidency inviting their opinion on the question of founding such a college and the number of candidates which might be expected from each district.

### DAY BY DAY

THE ROSE IS FAIREST WHEN 'TIS BUDDING NEW,  
AND HOPE IS BRIGHTEST WHEN IT DAWNS FROM FEARS.—Scott.

The Weather.  
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 51; clear. (1915, 59 clear.)  
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 61; clear. (1915, 59 clear.)

The Mails.  
Siberian Mail.—Arrived per s.s. Chenan yesterday.  
English Mail.—Due per s.s. Sardinia to-day.  
Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Sardinia at 9 a.m. to-morrow.

The Dollar.  
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1.01, 5/16.

The Colony's Anniversary.  
It is seventy-five years ago to-day since the cession of Hongkong to the British.

To-morrow's Anniversary.  
To-morrow is the 55th anniversary of the admission of Kansas as a State.

"Great Cold."  
To-morrow, according to the Chinese Calendar, is the festival of To-han, or "Great Cold."

Prize Day.  
His Excellency the Governor is to present the prizes at the Victoria British School at noon on Tuesday next.

Great-Coat Stolen.  
Bombardier Smith, R.G.A., of Lyceum Barracks, has reported to the police that on the 18th inst., some person stole from the Barracks his great-coat, value \$13.

Bond Over.  
A Chinese, named Li Pak, was charged before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court this morning, with stealing five slabs of zinc, valued \$7, from the Awa Maru, on January 19. The defendant stated that he received them from a greaser on board. He was bound over.

De Villiers Theatre.  
The De Villiers Theatre re-opens its season at Kowloon to-night at 9.15 o'clock. A splendid programme has been arranged, and, in view of the phenomenal demand for seats at the previous performances, those who intend patronising the show should make a point of engaging accommodation at the earliest possible moment.

Billiard Handicap.  
In the Palace Hotel (Kowloon) billiard handicap last night, Mr. Musso (owes 280) met Mr. Callen (owes 10) in a match of 250 up. The latter won, after a splendid game, by 280 to 411. Mr. Musso made the highest break (33). To-night at 9 o'clock Mr. Kelly (owes 80) will meet Mr. Carr (owes 35).

Jeweller's Large Loss.  
A good haul has been effected from 16, Lyndhurst Terrace, occupied by a goldsmith named Ho Hoi-lam, who reports to the police that yesterday morning he missed from his show-cases nine pieces of jewellery and a box of pearls, valued \$3,665, and \$998.57 in money, the total value of the stolen property being \$4,663.57. Suspicion has fallen on the cook, who is also the brother-in-law of the occupier, he having absconded.

### LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:—

	Tons	1915
January 1	142	137
" 2	137	135
" 3	135	127
" 4	127	135
" 5	135	128
" 6	128	139
" 7	139	132
" 8	132	138
" 9	138	150
" 10	150	133
" 11	133	248
" 12	248	237
" 13	237	255
" 14	255	235
" 15	235	209
" 16	209	183
" 17	183	198
" 18	198	198
" 19	198	198
Total to 19th inst.	3,250	

Daily average 171.52

### NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

#### MONTENEGRO.

#### The Allies' Resoluteness.

The leading characteristic of the overnight wires is surely the black outlook for the enemy, and the Allies' determination to make that outlook all the blacker. From almost every front come records of more or less important scores for the Entente. From Home we learn that the country is daily growing more solid in its readiness to support compulsory service, (or indeed any other measure that will contribute towards a quick victory) and from Germany there is abundant evidence that discontent—the sort of discontent that promises to hasten our victory—is on a decided increase. With all this in view, we are surely more than ever justified in regarding Mr. Asquith's "1916" as being very far from a mere empty boast. When we have British Socialists marking off as "a hump and a coward" the trade unionist who refuses to enlist, when we have even the stalwart Mr. Thomas hinting at giving his benediction to a Bill of which he is regarded as being the leading opponent, when we have the Dominions desiring positively frenzied in their desire to send more men to the front, how can we fail to feel that new life has, somehow or other, been pumped into the Empire?

#### "Keeping the Truth from the People."

Similarly, how can Germany fail to realise that her course is nearly run, in face of defeats near Bapaume, in Persia and the Caucasus, on the French and Belgian fronts, and round about Bukovina? And, side by side with these defeats, she has to set the British decision to render the blockade really tight and effective, and the clamours of her Socialists who tell her, without dreaming of offering anything that will sweeten the pill, that she is "keeping the truth from the people." The Socialists have a big mission before them if they are prepared to enlighten their fellow-countrymen. "Keeping the truth from the people" means such a lot in this case. We might divide the German population into two groups: those who believe their country to be absolutely invincible in arms, and those who conscientiously regard her as the embodiment of honour and culture. What an awakening is in store for these two groups when they learn—the one, that Germany has long ceased to exist as a sea power and is being slowly beaten at every point on land—and, the other, that their country has justly become a byword for all that is false, and mean and treacherous and uncivilised and vile! Is it not time, even for their own sakes, the German people should know all this?

#### The Montenegrin "Surrender."

Yesterday we took leave to suggest that one is in no wise bound to believe all that a Hungarian politician says. From later wires it would seem that Count Tizza was in rather too much of a hurry to announce Montenegro's surrender. A French official wireless message, while it does not actually contradict the statements attributed yesterday to the King of Montenegro and his consul in Paris, says that the news of the surrender was "premature" and adds that peace negotiations with Austria are broken off. So much for rumour. Austria, left to herself, might have been prepared to impose some conditions on a conquered people, but Austria dominated by Germany is quite another affair. At present we must hope that the Allies have been able to hold out to Montenegro such definite promises of support and final reward as have decided her to abandon all further talk of surrender.

#### £156 for a Cockerel.

Over £7,000 have been raised by auction sales in Huntingdonshire for the Star and Garter and All-India Agricultural Relief Funds. A cockerel, worth eightpence, realised £165.

### HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

#### Recent Examination Results.

The following are the lists of successful candidates at the recent Matriculation and Senior and Junior Local Examinations in connection with the University of Hongkong:—

Centennial Government Scholarships. Matriculated students:— (Canton Candidates.)

No. 1. Lien Tsum, Queen's College.  
5 Leung Nai-yuen, St. Stephen's College.  
7 Fok Hon-fai, Queen's College.  
29 Leung Chi-ling, Diocesan Boys' School.  
23 Cheung Him, Queen's College.  
27 Li Sang, Queen's College.  
29 Man Shu Sing, St. Stephen's College.

Non-matriculated students. (Canton Candidates.)—

No. 4 Leung Nai-hong, St. Stephen's College.  
3 Wu Yee-tak, Diocesan Boys' School.  
12 Yeung Wa-fui, Queen's College.  
13 Yu Shui-chin, Sacred Heart College.  
19 Wong Ping-kwan, St. Stephen's College.  
22 Long Wai-pok, St. Stephen's College.  
26 Fung Tsang-fa, St. Paul's College.  
30 Wong Wing-leung, St. Paul's College.

Matriculation Examination, December 1915. The following have satisfied the Examiners:—

#### HONOURS LIST.

1. She Shu-tai, Queen's College.  
3. Kung Shih-en, Queen's College, Chinese Govt. student.  
19. Ho Chai-nan, Queen's College, Chinese Govt. student.  
27. Ho Kwak-leung, Queen's College.  
31. F. J. Ede, Queen's College and Dalwich College.  
34. Cheah Toon-siew, Anglo-Chinese School, Penang.  
36. Hoo Chai-koon, Anglo-Chinese School, Singapore.  
37. Ong Siow-hian, Singapore.

#### PASS LIST.

6. Kwong Hing-fuk, St. Stephen's College.  
9. Lin Hung-ngan, Queen's College, Chinese Govt. student.  
17. Chang I-chang, Queen's College and St. Stephen's, Yunnan Govt. student.  
21. Lu Wan-tsun, Queen's College and St. Stephen's, Yunnan Govt. student.

22. A. J. Kew, Diocesan Boys' School.  
29. Sheikh Hassan Ismail, Queen's College.  
30. A. D. Silas, Victoria British School.

38. I. Day, Private study.  
44. Chien Hung-yun, Yao Zhi College, Ningpo.

45. Wang Yik-cho, Queen's College.  
71. Li Chi-wa, St. Paul's College.

74. Au Shu-tak, Sacred Heart College, Canton.  
75. Tang Wai-chun, St. Paul's College.

78. Ho Chee-kin, Private Study.  
80. Lai Nang-yong, Do.

84. Jan Chi-fah, English Methodist College, Ningpo.

Senior Local Examination, December 1915.

The following have satisfied the Examiners:—

28. R. M. Rocha, St. Joseph's College.

39. Mak Chan-yong, Private study.

42. Chan U-to, Queen's College.

72. Yu Ki-tan, Sacred Heart College, Canton.

77. Li Kai-tong, St. Paul's College, with Distinction in Biblical Knowledge.

79. Ng Ka-ken, St. Paul's College, with Distinction in Arithmetic and Biblical Knowledge.

83. Harry-yong, Victoria British School.

Junior Local Examination, December 1915.

The following have satisfied the Examiners:—

Boy candidates:—

2. R. Y. Frost, Kowloon British School.

4. F. G. J. Goard, Victoria British School.

Girl Candidates:—

32. Maria de Rosa, Italian Convent School.  
33. F. Mary Jenkins, Diocesan Girls' School, with Distinction in Drawing and Needlework.

### FOOTBALL.

88th Company R.O.A. v. University XI.

Played on the Military ground at 3.30 yesterday afternoon, this match proved very interesting. The University, playing at their best, blocked many good efforts from the gunners' forward line which looked particularly dangerous. The University then made a dash, and, taking the leather into the gunners' territory, gave the goalie a very exciting time, but he managed to clear. Play was again brought into the University's territory and several good shots were cleared by the goalie while others went high and wide. The game was thus evenly contested throughout the first half, and when the whistle for half-time sounded, there were no score registered.

In the second moiety, the gunners played a faster game and kept pressing the University's goal, which was well kept by the custodian, aided by the backs. The gunners, however, did not seem to be discouraged, and continued their offensive until they were at last awarded a point through a fine shot. From the centre, the University took the leather into the gunners' territory where many shots were delivered, the goalie saving every time. It was in the course of this struggle, that one of the gunners fouled the ball within the penalty area and a penalty kick was awarded to the University. As there were only a few minutes more to go, a draw seemed to be inevitable. Dixon, taking the penalty kick for the University, shot well, but the gunners' goalie managed to clear with much difficulty, and thus saved the situation. When the final whistle sounded, the gunners were the winners by one goal to love.

Belchers v. Diocesan. This game, which was played on the Naval ground, proved to be one-sided. Belchers being undoubtedly the superior team. The school team, however, played as gamely as usual and managed to score one goal against their opponents' six which came about in pretty quick succession. The soldiers won on account of their weight, which was very much in evidence throughout the whole game. Although the Diocesan have most unfortunately lost every match this season, still, they are among the most game players to be found in the Second Division.

### THE KOMOR CASE.

#### A Settlement out of Court.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, who was prosecuting in the case of furious driving of a motor bicycle at Happy Valley, against Henry S. Komor, of 44 Robinson Road, as a result of which Mr. Isaac Turner was knocked down and severely injured, made an application to Mr. Hazeland this morning for the charge to be withdrawn. He said the complainant had had certain compensation offered her, and subject to his Worship's approval, she would like to withdraw the case. He (Mr. Shenton) had seen the police and they had no objection.

His Worship:—In the circumstances, I will grant the application. It would have been a very different matter if the woman had been killed.

Mr. Shenton:—This is a case in which civil damages can meet it.

We understand that adequate compensation has been paid.

34. Anna Mary Brown, Diocesan Girls' School, with Distinction in English, History, Biblical Knowledge, Domestic Science & Needlework.  
35. A. Mox Forsyth, Kowloon British School.  
36. Clara O. Frost, Kowloon British School, with Distinction in Needlework.  
37. Mabel Edna Mear, Victoria British School.

## WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 1.)

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## RUSSIA'S POSITION.

## HIGHER COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

January 18, 5.00 p.m.  
According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd it is stated that the Cabinet has decided to leave the Higher Council of Ministers to consider the economic, commercial and industrial position in respect of the war.

## CIVIL AUTHORITIES RETURN TO DVINSK.

January 18, 5.00 p.m.  
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says the civil authorities have returned to Dvinsk.

## THE COMPULSION BILL.

## POSITION OF THE NEWLY-WED.

January 18, 5.00 p.m.  
As the result of yesterday's debate on the Compulsion Bill it has been decided that on or after November 2, 1915, shall be treated as single men for the purpose of the Act. The date originally fixed was August 15, 1915.

## RAILWAYMEN'S SECRETARY'S VIEWS.

January 18, 10.15 p.m.  
Mr. J. B. Thomas, Labour member for Derby and, organising secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, the protagonist of the Labour opposition to the Military Bill, in an interview declared that on the whole he was not in favour of industrial revolution as long as the war continued. He would use his influence to keep industry going.

## EXPORT OF BEANS FROM JAPAN.

## PROHIBITION IMPRACTICABLE.

January 18, 5.25 p.m.  
Asked in the House of Commons whether Great Britain had requested Japan to prohibit the export of beans and bean oil from Japan to neutral countries, Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said the matter had been discussed and prohibition was found to be impracticable, other methods of preventing goods reaching the enemy being preferred.

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## DIOCESAN GIRLS' SCHOOL.

## Concert and Prize Distribution.

The record of work done by the Diocesan Girls' School at Kowloon during the past twelve months is one of which any school of this nature might well be proud, and the Acting Superintendent (Miss Ferguson) and her staff are to be congratulated on the very excellent report which was presented at the annual concert and prize-giving which took place in St. Andrew's Hall, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon. This function proved most successful, a large company of friends and parents assembling. Among those present were Lady May and the Misses May, the bishop of Victoria, Mrs. Lander, and Miss Lander, Surgeon General and Mrs. Hockley, the Rev. N. C. and Mrs. Pope, Mrs. T. H. King, Mr. E. Balpa (Inspector of Schools) and Mrs. Ralph, Mrs. Forsyth, the Rev. Copley Moyle, Rev. W. T. Featherstone, Mrs. Scott-Harston, M. A. Mortagne Harrison, Mrs. J. H. Kemp, Mrs. Aitken, etc.

Prior to the presentation of prizes a most enjoyable programme was given by the scholars, the admirable manner in which they performed the various items bespeaking careful training on the part of Miss Ferguson and her staff.

In asking Miss Ferguson to read the annual report, the Bishop, who presided, said he thought the girls had acquitted themselves splendidly and had done credit to Miss Ferguson and her assistants and all those who were assisting her in the work of the school.

The Report.

Miss Ferguson then read the annual report, which was as follows:—

and organized by the Rev. N. C. Pope, who was most kind in instructing the girls in swimming and diving. You will bear from the Treasurer's report that the debt on the Building Fund of the School has been materially decreased, but the portion of the building already erected by no means suffices for even the present needs. It is with the object of further reducing this debt that we are holding the present concert. I should like to thank the donors of the prizes, which are much valued by the girls. We are pressing forward, and hope for still greater things in the future, as it is a good work we are trying to do, and we are sure that God's blessing rests upon it. Since writing this report we have received word that of the three candidates presented for the Hongkong Local examination this last December, two have passed; one girl gaining distinction in Religious Knowledge, English History, Domestic Science, and Needlework, and the other having distinction in Drawing and Needlework. (Applause.) May I take this opportunity of thanking you all for your presence here this afternoon and for the kind interest you have taken in the School? (Applause.)

The Finances.  
In giving the financial statement, Surgeon General Hockley (Treasurer of the school) said:— I have been asked to make a few remarks with regard to the financial state of the Diocesan Girls' School, and as, if I gave you a multitude of figures you would probably rather very little, I will confine myself to the merest outline of the present financial condition especially as compared with that which existed on the 31st December, 1914. The income derived from fees during the past year averaged monthly almost \$1,300, as against \$1,161 in 1914. The Government Grant was far greater than in the previous year, as was the amount collected by Mr. Annett for both the Boys' and Girls' Schools. We are also grateful for offerings at St. John's Cathedral and St. Andrew's League and from many private individuals, of whom I will only mention one—Mr. Pettigrew—who, having prepaid fees for his daughter, on her sudden removal from the school owing to his having settled at Shanghai, very generously allowed the balance of \$93 to be transferred to the Building Fund Account. (Applause.) During the year we have had very heavy expenses. One item alone (for passages for teachers) amounted to \$1,654. But, owing to the careful management of Miss Skipton and Miss Ferguson, when every bill was settled we had a total balance of \$474 on 31st December last, as compared with \$130 in 1914, so that the General Account may be considered satisfactory. With regard to the Building Fund, which is practically paid off—as we can afford it from the general account—the debt on the 1st January, 1915, amounted to \$13,208. My most sanguine expectation was that this might be reduced to a few dollars, less than ten thousand during the year, but I am most happy to be able to inform you that my expectations have been more than realised and the debt now amounts to \$8,688.22, which I consider most eminently satisfactory. The more so as, owing to the well deserved success and increasing popularity of the school, the pupils' sleeping accommodation is at present taxed to its utmost, and in a very short time it will be necessary to build extra dormitories. I may add that it would be still more satisfactory if this debt could be paid off before incurring the fresh expense of the new dormitories. (Applause.)

He added that it would be very satisfactory if they could get the buildings free of debt before any new work was commenced. The Bishop said they would all heartily congratulate the Superintendent on the very excellent report she had read. As they knew they tried to keep a good strong European staff and they were exceedingly fortunate in having a staff of ladies who had all the necessary educational qualifications and who had their work thoroughly at heart, and who got on so well with the scholars. The school had been exceedingly

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fortunate. As to the finances he would very much like to see the school get out of debt before they began building again. Hongkong was remarkable for its generosity, and whenever a good fund was started it got a great deal of support, and he thought that if it were known that the school was in debt the public would meet it in a very short time. Lady May was always kind in responding to invitations to be present at gatherings of that kind and they were all very pleased to see her with them.

The Prizes.  
Lady May then presented the Prizes as follows:—

H. K. Locals.—Certificates and Prizes.—Senior with Honours.—M. Choo, also 1st Prize, Form I and 1st Prize Sen. Drawing. Junior.—H. Evans, also 1st Prize Form II 2nd Prize Sen. Scripture; J. Garth, also 2nd Prize Form II; L. Price and D. Gittens.

Class Prizes.—Class I.—A. Brawn, 2nd prize, also 1st Scripture prize and a prize for English sub.; III.—M. Lau, 1st prize, also Arithmetic, Drawing, Geography and Needlework; Emma Cornell, 2nd prize, also Composition, Music, and 2nd Scripture; IV.—Lolita Souza, 1st prize, also Middle Scripture and Grammar; D. Brackstone, equal 2nd prize, also Hygiene; and M. Kackier, equal 2nd prize, also Geography V.—M. Gittens, 1st prize, also 2nd Drawing Prize; I. Ho Tung, 2nd prize, also 1st Arithmetic Prize; VI.—M. Bockett and A. Breitenfeldt, equal 1st Remove.—F. Lau; VII.—F. Souza and H. Choo; VIII.—Up.—J. Rapp and L. S. Souza; Middle.—O. B. Rette; L. C.—C. Barretto and J. Clarke; Kindergarten.—S. Rasmussen and L. McKay, Progress.

Scripture.—Lower.—G. Tyson, Babier, J. D. Vile.  
Drawing.—Class II.—E. Jenkins, 2nd prize, Sen. Drawing, also Geography and Sewing; Class IV.—D. Rasmussen, 1st prize; C. Martin, 2nd prize, also Composition, IV. 2nd prize; S. Tao, Progress prize; Class VII.—T. Souza, 2nd prize.

Arithmetic.—Class IV.—I. Ho Tung, 2nd prize.  
Composition.—Class IV.—M. Fincher, equal 2nd prize.

Music.—Junior.—W. Tyson, 2nd prize.  
Sewing.—Class IV.—L. M. Kenzie; VII.—V. Chan.

Progress.—Remove.—1. W. Kim; 2. L. Scott.

Application.—E. Tao.

Boards' Prize for tidiness in Dormitory.—A. Garth and M. Anderson (Equal).

Swimming Trophies.—1. F. Jenkins; 2. M. Kackier.

Finn's St. Andrew's Theory Certificate.—A. Evans.

## DISHONEST CLECK.

At the Police Court, Mr. Hazland was engaged this morning in hearing a case in which a Chinese clerk named Tam U was charged with embezzling, between September 27 and October 22, 1915, sums amounting to \$381.40, the property of Chui Hui-kwok, master of a rice shop at 115, Des Voeux Road.

In his statement, defendant said:—I did collect it, I did spend it.

Detective Sergeant Willis said that when the man was arrested yesterday he only had 30 cents left.

Sentence was passed of three months' hard labour.

In proposing a vote of thanks to Lady May, the Bishop referred to the kindness of the Rev. N. C. Pope in allowing them to use that hall for the presentation.

The Rev. N. C. Pope seconded the vote, which was heartily accorded.

The following was the programme:—Pianoforte solo ("Spanish Dance"), F. Jenkins; and A. Braun; action song, ("The Haughty Pig"), Lower School; recitation, (Scene from "Alice in Wonderland"), C. Martin; M. Fincher and D. Rasmussen; song ("Come Lasse and Linda"), Upper School; recitation, (Scene from "Julius Caesar"), K. Gaudin and L. Price; ball drill, Lower School; action song, ("The Army"), Upper School; pianoforte solo, ("Shepherd's Dance"), Emma Cornell; recitation ("My Birthday"), M. S. L. Souza; song ("Land of Hope and Glory"), Upper and Middle School; cantata ("A Christmas Dream").

## TO-DAY'S

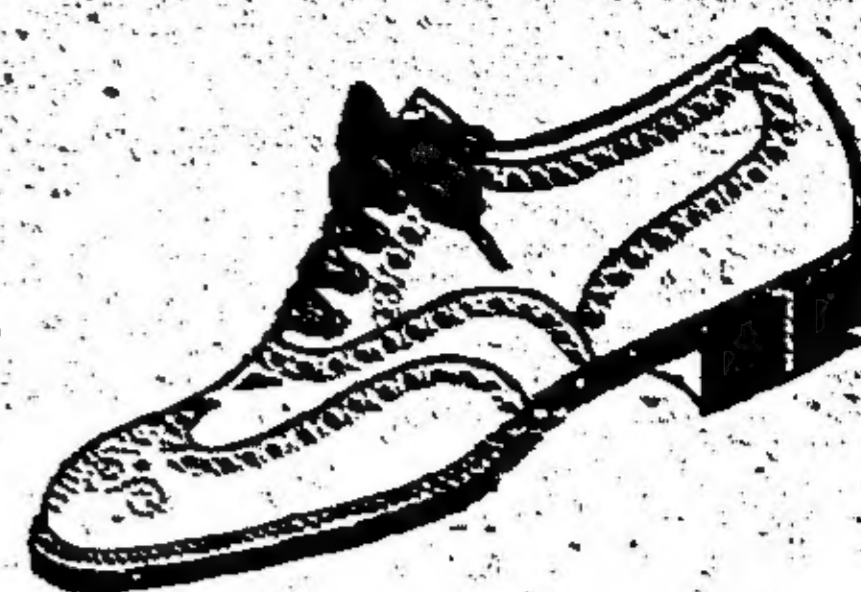
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Inauguration of Trans-Pacific Service.

The Japan Agents for the Java-China-Japan Lijn have notified the interested parties of the opening of a steamship service by the above Lijn between Batavia and San Francisco, with a couple of semi-passenger steamers each of 12,000 tons class. The first vessel already left Batavia on December 15th, 1915. The Nederlandsche S.S. Co. and the Rotterdamse Lloyd are to work a trans-Pacific service jointly with the first-mentioned. The above scheme was conceived two years ago and has come into maturity largely through the instrumentality of Mr. Bishop of the Java-China-Japan Lijn.

Sydney's New Waterside Agreements.

In consequence of recent awards and agreements between waterside workers and local shipping companies, alterations are being made in the times for receiving cargo at the different wharves. The New South Wales Coastal Steamship Owners' Association announces that on and after January 1, 1916, no cargo will be received for shipment other than as under—Monday to Friday, for vessels sailing prior to 5 p.m., two hours before advertised time of sailing; for vessels sailing after 5 p.m., not later than 3 p.m. On Saturdays cargo will be received not later than 10 a.m.

China Mail Line Increases Capital.

The China Mail Steamship Co., which was recently organized and has already purchased the steamer China, has decided to increase its capital stock from \$2,100,000 to \$5,000,000 owing to the stock subscriptions coming in, and also to the end that the company may more readily finance the deals necessary to acquiring additional steamers. Look Lin Bi, president of the Canton Bank of San Francisco, and president and general manager of the new company, has just announced the appointments of an assistant to the president and general manager and a general passenger agent. Men who held important positions with the Pacific Mail were chosen. Head offices are to be established in San Francisco.

C. P. K. Mills.

A resumption of the 18-day mail service between the United States and Manila by means of the Canada Pacific greyhound, Empress of Asia and Empress of Russia, is a probability of the near future, says the Manila Bulletin. Although no definite information has been received to that effect, Messrs. Smith, Bell and Company, local agents of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company, have been advised by the Hongkong office of the company that they have been led to believe the Empress of Russia and Empress of Asia will make Manila a port of call on the voyage out from Vancouver, just as they did previous to the war. It will be remembered that about two months before the outbreak of the war, the Empress of Russia and Empress of Asia were put on the Manila run outward. As a result, Manila received one 18-day and one 17-day mail from the United States and there was much rejoicing. Just as Manila folks were beginning to congratulate themselves on enjoying something like a real mail service from the homeland, the war broke out, the Empress of Russia and Empress of Asia were requisitioned by the British government for war purposes, and the mail service reverted to its former unsatisfactory status. It became even worse than before, for a great many other steamers that had hitherto plied between the United States and the islands were taken off the run. As the Empress of Russia and Empress of Asia make the round trip between Vancouver and the Orient in two months, one of these steamers will call at Manila monthly, should the new schedule be adopted. Messrs. Smith, Bell and Company have written to the company regarding the call here on the voyage from Vancouver, but no information with regard to the matter has as yet been received from the home office. It is expected, however, that the question will be definitely decided shortly.

Hongkong, 16th Nov, 1913.

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

## EXTRA

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1916

### TELEGRAMS.

#### THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

##### 21 Indian Appeals.

(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph.")  
London, Received January 20.  
The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council resumed its sittings on the 18th inst. It will hear 21 Indian appeals—six from Bengal, four from Madras, three from the North-West Provinces, three from Lower Burma, two from Bombay, two from Oudh and one from the Punjab.

#### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

##### THE SHANGHAI OUTBREAK.

London, Received January 19.  
In the House of Commons, Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said he had no knowledge of the note said to have been addressed to diplomats at Peking by the Chinese Minister for Foreign Affairs requesting their co-operation with the Chinese Government to prevent occurrences similar to the revolt in Shanghai.

#### OBITUARY.

London, Received January 20.  
The death is announced of the Rt. Hon. Sir Andrew Richard Scoble, K.C., K.C.S.I., P.C., a former member of the Council of the Governor-General of India and formerly M.P. for Hackney, Central Division.

#### CHINA AND JAPAN.

##### Congratulatory Mission Postponed.

London, Received January 20.  
Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo states that the Japanese Minister at Peking has been instructed to inform President Yuan Shih-kai that Japan is unable, for the present, to receive a congratulatory mission in connection with the coronation of the Japanese Emperor.

##### JAPANESE PRINCE TO VISIT EUROPE.

##### Important Political Mission.

London, Received January 20.  
According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd it is stated that a Japanese prince will visit Russia and England in April on an important political mission.

##### AN INDIAN MURDER.

London, Received January 20.  
In the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain said he had received a report from the Raj regarding the murder of Mr. Priestly at Lahore in which the opinion is expressed that the brutal crime was not committed for political motives.

Mr. F. Hamilton Sawyer, who is finally having arrived, Mr. F. Hamilton Sawyer, Foreign Secretary of the North West Trading Co., Ltd., of Seattle, has taken "Edgemoor," 10, The Peak. His company has opened offices at No. 7, Hotel Mansions, third floor.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

#### HONGKONG'S GOVERNMENT.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Sir,—Every British resident in the Colony must sympathize with Mr. Pollock's attempt to obtain a more representative Government. Such sympathy does not involve any reflection upon the present form of Government, which may be described as a benevolent bureaucracy, well suited to a Colony in its infancy, but not adapted to the wants of a full grown intelligent community.

I can conceive no adequate reason why every British resident in the Colony of full age who can read and write English should not have a voice in the selection of the members of our local parliament, except the difficulty of evolving and maintaining a register in such a quickly changing population as we have here.

A step towards meeting this difficulty was made when the electorate of the Sanitary Board was extended to all jurors, and to persons exempted from Jury Service on the ground that they are engaged in work necessary to the community, a definition which should include all those possessing sufficient knowledge of English to follow evidence in a law Court.

The Chamber of Commerce electorate is very limited, as there is only one vote for each firm or company belonging to that body, so that in effect only the senior partners of mercantile houses have the vote.

The unofficial justices are also very limited in number, and are remarkable for the exclusion of many not unworthy citizens, and also for the fact that justices are not elected but nominated by the Government, so that they represent nobody.

Any increase in the representative character of the Councils should be based upon the widest electorate possible, and, on the understanding that Mr. Pollock will put forward that theory in forwarding it, his petition should be signed by every English speaking British subject in the Colony.

At the same time why should not our Chinese friends petition for the substitution of election for nomination of the Chinese Members of Council?

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce is admirably suited for the election of one or more of such members.

As it must take many months to establish the principles contended for, and to elaborate the details, it would be unwise to delay all movement in the desired direction until after the war, when we hope that a more representative Government will be established to grapple with the problems which peace will bring in its train.

Yours etc.  
F. B. L. BOWLEY.

Hongkong, January 20, 1916.

#### "College Chimes."

There is quite a wealth of good reading in "College Chimes"—the St. Stephen's College magazine, and not the least interesting section of it is a symposium on the professions. This is the second series dealing with this question, the professions now discussed being Engineering, Law, Journalism and Commerce. In addition there are sports notes, school notes, poems and a variety of short papers, all exceedingly well done and some apparently contributed by Chinese pupils.

### SHARE MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Up to the Minute.

China Fines. — \$153, buyers.  
Douglases. — \$118, sellers.  
Shells. — \$8, sales and buyers.  
China Sugars. — \$131, buyers.  
Kowloon Wharves. — \$75, sales.  
Land Investments. — \$105, sales.  
West Points. — \$83, buyers.  
Shanghai Cottons. — Tls. 92, sellers.  
Laogkats. — Tls. 36, buyers.  
Watsons. — \$62, buyers.

### OFF TO THE CAMEROONS.

A Letter from Lieutenant Storrie.

Lieut. Storrie, who, before leaving for England with a volunteer force in order to enlist, was well-known in Hongkong where he resided for several years, has written a letter to Mr. Wilson, of Messrs. Robertson, Wilson and Co., Beaconfield Arcade, in which he says:—"I have been promoted to the rank of full Lieutenant now, and shall shortly be leaving for the Cameroons. . . . I shall be glad to go and get a bit of scrapping after having been training recruits for so long. What do you think of Lord Derby's scheme? Things don't look so very rosy just now. When we have finished with Africa I suppose I shall be sent off to France, but I shall be glad when it is all over; the war seems interminable. I am getting on well in the Army and am sticking to my books, and, before the war is over, I hope to be made a Captain—unless the Hun pop me off! Some people will have been thinking I have been shirking perhaps, but you can't go and fight until you are sent."

### R. E. THEATRE.

#### Gent's Whist Drive and Smoker.

A very successful gent's whist drive and smoking concert was held in the R. E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, last night under the auspices of the R. E. Entertainment Club.

The prize winners at whist were:—1st, Mr. Skelcher; 2nd, Mr. Burton; 3rd, Mr. Davis R.G.A.; 4th, Mr. Roger R.E.; 5th, Mr. Pollock R.N.; Hidden number, Mr. Hearn.

At the conclusion of the drive, a well-arranged programme was proceeded with, Q. M. S. Evans being in the chair. The following artists gave turns:—"Gus," Lee, Cpl. Huxley, R.E.; Gnr. Murray, R.G.A.; Q. M. S. Evans, R.E.; Bndr. Potan, R.G.A.; Cpl. Davis, R.G.A.; Gnr. Light, R.G.A.; Gnr. Andrews, R.G.A.; Lee, Cpl. Huxley, R.E.; Gnr. Hansen, R.G.A.

Special mention must be made of "Mac" and Murphy in their "Chinese Magicians" item. They were extremely good and may be seen in the near future at one of the local halls. The Stonecutters Troupe were also good, the audience being kept in a continuous roar of laughter by their performance. The accompanists were Lee, Cpl. Perrin, A.O.C.; Sergt. Harper, R.G.A., and S. O. Jenkins, R.E. (Piccolo), M.C. Cpl. Coxon, R.E.

The arrangements were entirely in the hands of the Hon. Sec. Corpl. Grimes, R.E.

### THE CANTON BANK CASE.

Judgment from the Defendant.

The hearing was continued at the Supreme Court this morning, before the Chief Justice, of the case in which the widow of a Chinese named Lau Yui, alias Lau Chok ting, sought to recover the sum of \$10,400 from the Canton Bank, \$10,000 of which was principal and the remainder interest on an account. It is alleged by plaintiff that deposit notes of \$3,000 and \$2,000 respectively were deposited in the Canton Bank by her husband on August 26 and 27, 1913, and were payable on demand.

Mr. Potter, continuing his address, said the Bank of Canton had paid the money by order of the Court. The defendant was not obliged to wait for a suit when he knew there could be no defence for it. If the Bank had not paid the money by the order of the Court, then they knew quite as well as he did that they would have had a bailiff in the Bank. It would be impossible for his Lordship to say that the Bank of Canton could do otherwise than pay the money under the compulsion of law. It was impossible to think that his Lordship would make another order for them to pay over this money a second time. If a man paid money voluntarily and then found that he had paid it to the wrong person, that was a different question altogether.

Mr. Potter then proceeded to cite several cases dealing with garnishee orders.

#### The Judgment.

His Lordship, in giving judgment for the defendant without costs, said there was no doubt that in this case there were two innocent parties and that one or the other must suffer for the mistakes or negligence of a third party. The duty of the Court, in cases such as this, was to apply the law and apply it rigorously. In this case there was no evidence that any notice of fraud was received by the Bank, neither was there any evidence to show that they were aware of the proceedings which had taken place in this Court, or that such proceedings were not of a bona fide character. The cases cited by Mr. Potter, in his opinion, showed the position of the Bank beyond doubt. He was clearly of opinion that the money was paid under compulsion of law and the Court had no power to order the payment of the sum again.

### MAILBOAT ARRIVALS.

Friends of passengers and the public will be interested to learn of the following mailboat arrivals:—

The P. & O. outward mail steamer Mongolia, with the London mail of January 13, arrived at Marseilles on Tuesday morning, the 18th instant.

The P. & O. homeward mail steamer Mooltan, with the Hongkong mail of December 16 last, arrived at Marseilles on Tuesday morning, the 18th instant.

French Consul's Promotion.

We learn that the Consul General for France (M. Gaston Liebert), who has held the position in this Colony for about twelve years, has now been appointed to a similar position at New York, and will leave Hongkong on February 15 by the Tour de Mars. The departure of M. Liebert will be greatly regretted, but his many friends will heartily congratulate the Consul General on his new appointment, which, we understand, is a promotion.

### THE MURDER OF CHANG SZE-SHEN.

Prisoner Handed over to Chinese Authorities.

At the further hearing of the case of the man charged at Shanghai with the murder of Chang Sze-shen, manager of the local Bank of Communications, it was stated that shortly after arrest the prisoner said that he had been sent down by a commandant named Tsang Chi-zung, who had given him instructions to kill the deceased because he was a traitor to the Mourentist party. The commandant sent him to Shanghai with another man, named Wong Yu-zung, having given both of them a revolver, thirty cartridges and \$50 apiece. They knew that the deceased had to pass through Bas Eclair and when he passed they both fired two shots at the deceased. Prisoner stated he was arrested shortly afterwards.

In court, says the N. C. Daily News, he made a further statement, saying he did not know if Tsang Chi-zung was a commandant or not. He came to Shanghai to meet prisoner and Tsang told him that deceased was a very bad man and dishonest. Tsang stated that the Chinese Government had ordered the deceased to use \$60,000 for the handing over by the International Mixed Court of the two Wongs, who had assassinated Admiral Tseng, and that the deceased had retained \$30,000 of that sum himself.

The French Assessor pointed out that if the deceased were dishonest the prisoner could have petitioned the court and not taken the law into his own hands. If such a principle as that of the prisoner's were adopted, China would be chaos in a few months.

Prisoner denied that he was a member of the Kuomintang.

It was pointed out to the prisoner that his two statements did not agree, and consequently they were false and that there must be some other reason for his act, but he denied this. An order was made for the prisoner to be handed over to the Chinese authorities.

### POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. C. Jeskin, D.S.P. (Reserve) stated:—

Leave of Absence.

Regulations relating to leave from duty, Parade, Musketry and the Colony, to be in force as from this date, are being to-day issued to Company Commanders for circulation to all ranks. Responsibility for obtaining copies of same will rest with the latter, and non-receipt will not be taken as an excuse for any infringement.

No. 3 Company Equipment Officer.

P. C. 545 C. M. Castro is appointed E.O. for No. 2 Company in place of Sergeant Ribiero, Detainer.

For being absent from Patrol Duty without leave, a P.C. has been ordered 3 hours' Cells Duty.

Motor Police Patrol.

Members having Motor Cycles may apply to this office for transfer to the Motor Patrol Section.

Parades 530 p.m.

Monday, January 24th. No. 1 Company and Recruits thereof.

Tuesday, January 25th. No. 4 Company.

Wednesday, January 26th. No. 2 Company and Recruits thereof.

Thursday, January 27th. Nos. 3 and 4 Companies.

Armlets, Truncheons.

Armlets must be produced at the next parade of each Company. Platoon Commanders will enter the numbers in the Roll Books, thus:—"A 3, A 29, &c."

E. Oa. will on the same occasion see that P.Cs. who have failed to pass Part 1 are equipped with Truncheons.

Kowloon British School.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Hoysack is to present the prizes at the Kowloon British School on Monday, January 24, at 4.30 p.m.

### ARMED ROBBERY TRIAL.

Defendant Discharged and Re-arrested.

The two Chinese who are charged with committing an armed robbery, at Shaukiwan, were again brought before Mr. Hargrave at the Police Court this afternoon.

Mr. E. Davidson appeared for the second defendant.

It was stated by a Chinese constable that when he arrested the first defendant he was seriously assaulted, being thrown over some stones, cutting his hands and face.

Mr. Davidson said there was no evidence against his client, because he was charged with robbing with violence, but, as a matter of fact, he had only confessed to taking the men to the house. That in itself might be a crime, but it was not the crime with which he had been charged.

The second defendant was discharged.

Immediately the man had left the Court, Mr. Davidson returned and said that the man had been re-arrested within the precincts of the Court.

Inspector Angus—He was outside the Court. We can let him go again and arrest him in the street. We don't mean him to escape.

His Worship—What can I do?

Mr. Davidson—I don't know. But it seemed such an odd procedure that I thought I would mention it. The man must be clear of the precincts of the Court before he is arrested.

Inspector Angus—He was in the compound.

The matter then dropped.

The other defendant was committed to the Sessions.

### MISSING SOVEREIGNS.

An Indian Soldier's Loss.

The case of the Indian soldier, Unip Singh, of the Hongkong-Singapore Battalion, R.G.A., who is charged with stealing seventy sovereigns and other money from a comrade whilst in hospital, was proceeded with before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court to-day.

When charged, prisoner made a statement to the effect that some time ago his brother came to Hongkong and asked him to take charge of the money as he wanted to go to India.

Evidence was given by the Secretary of the Indian Temple, who said that no such person as defendant had mentioned had been to the Colony.

Mr. T. H. King (A.S.P.) proved that no pass had been issued to a man of the description to leave the Colony. All Indians leaving had to have a pass.

His Worship—Even if they are deported?

Mr. King—Yes; even if they are deported.

The case was adjourned.

### VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

E. K. V. R. Order No. 7 issued to-day by Major Wakeman, Commanding E. K. V. R., states:—

Parades for Friday the 21st inst. at 5.15 p.m. "B" Co. on the Cricket Ground. Dress: drill order. The Signalling Section at Volunteer Headquarters. Uniform to be worn.

Musketry for Saturday the 22nd inst. and Sunday the 23rd inst. As in Corps Order No. 6.

Field Exercises.

Members of "B" Co. will parade on the Cricket Ground on Sunday the 23rd inst. at 8.45 p.m. Dress: drill order. Toposes to be worn; no haversacks, water bottles and pouches.

The following Signallers will also attend under Sergt. E. V. Mitchell:—Ptes. O. D. Molbourne, C. J. Higgitham, J. W. Graham.

Kowloon British School.

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### CONTRACTORS IN COURT.

Claim on Promissory Notes.

In the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, the Sai Hing Firm claimed from the firm of Li Sing-chi, 50 Shaukiwan West, the sum of \$850, being the amount due to the plaintiffs from the defendant in respect of a promissory note, and one borrowing note.

Mr. Denny appeared for the plaintiff, and defendant was represented by Mr. Gardiner, who said that he might as well make an objection at the outset, to the effect that his instructions were that the Sai Hing firm, the plaintiffs, had ceased to carry on business at the beginning of the present Chinese year. If his instructions were so far correct, then he contended that the writ was bad on the face of it. Before the writ was issued, he was told the firm had ceased to carry on business.

Mr. Denny—I am afraid I don't understand my friend's objection.

His Lordship—It is a perfectly simple case.

In his opening statement, Mr. Denny said that at first sight this case appeared quite simple. It was a case which touched upon a good many cases and also touched upon a case which had been before his Lordship. The plaintiff, at the time the promissory notes were given, were sub-contractors for rubble, to Sai Hing for the Ty-sam reservoir and the Sai Hing sub-contracted to the firm of Messrs. Mun Li. When the case was heard last year, judgment was given for the defendant. In that action Mr. Li Sing-chi admitted he was a partner in the Mun Li firm. Before this contract was finished, and during the course of the contract, it was the custom for the Mun Li firm to draw money before they had supplied the rubble, and when they found they were overdrawn, a promissory note was given. At the end of 1914 the accounts were made up, and it was agreed that the Mun Li firm owed to Sai Hing \$4,000, and there were seven promissory notes. It was agreed that a new note should be made out to cover the others, and this was done. The result of the action was that Messrs. Li Hing, knowing that claims were being made against Mr. Li Sing-chi, and Mr. Li Sing-chi swearing that the money was not his, a writ was taken out by Sai Hing against Li Sing-chi.

The hearing was adjourned.

Volunteer Orders.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D., state:—

Leave.

Gunner L. Co-ner is granted leave of absence from 31. 1. 16, for the duration of the war.

Field Operations 23. 1. 16.

Reference Corp. Order No. 6 dated 19. 1. 16, 10 pouches will be worn. Sergt. Bullock's party will wear helmets; the remainder will wear caps.

King's Park Range.

The Range is allotted to the Hongkong Police from 24th inst. to 5th prox. (except on Sunday, 30th inst.), from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

Parades for Friday, 21st inst. 5.15 p.m. Nos. 3 and 4 Sub-sections Artillery Battery. (as detailed in Corps Order No. 4 dated 20. 1. 16)—10 pdr. gun drill at Headquarters, Perit. Bradley R.G.A. will attend.

5.15 p.m. No. 4 Section Scouts Co. (every member)—M. G. instruction at Headquarters.

5.30 p.m. Engineer Co.—Squad drill and Musketry exercises on Kowloon Cricket Club ground, under Sergt. Maj. Highy, Remondet, Nl.

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4. Frozen Meats.—  
The Dairy Farm prices for frozen food and other skates published on 1st, September, 1914, with all changes in prices shown in pink are the maximum retail prices for the articles enumerated in the price list of that date. [Approved copies signed by the Chairman and the Secretary of the Food Committee can be seen either at the Treasury or on the premises of the Dairy Farm Company Wyndham Street.]

5. Market Produce.—(See above)

6. The prices of provisions imported from countries other than China (excepting those above enumerated) may not be raised more than 15 per cent. above the retail prices prevailing in the Colon on the 25th July, 1914.

Note.—In consideration of the loss sustained by discount or auxiliary coinage, payment for all articles of food not exceeding in value (excepting the articles enumerated in clause 5 in Exemption No. 18 of the 30th October, 1914, and in the above Schedule) shall if made in such tender can be subject to an additional charge of 15 per cent.

## RUBBER SHARE REPORT.

## STERLING SHARES.

(PRICES BY MAIL FROM SINGAPORE DATED JANUARY 2, 1915.)

Num. Value.	Buyers.	Sellers.
2- Allagar	1/8	2/
1- Anglo-Java	11/	13/
2- Anglo-Malay	9/6	10/6
2- Batang Malaka	1/9	2/13
1- Batu Tiga (Selangor)	50/-	60/-
2- Bekoh	2/	2/3
1- Bukit Kajang	37/6	40/-
1- Batu Lintang	60/-	65/-
2- Bukit Mertajam	2/3	2/7
1- Bukit Rajah	100/-	105/-
2- Bukit Sembawang	2/	2/8
1- Castlefield (Klang)	65/-	70/-
2- Chersonese (F.M.S.)	3/	3/9
2- Chimpul 1/6 p.d.	14/	15/
2- Cicely Ord.	13/6	16/-
2- Consolida Malay	12/	13/6
1- Damansara (Selangor)	8/-	9/-
1- Dennistown	60/-	65/-
1- Duff Development	21/3	23/9
2- Edinburgh	4/-	5/-
1- Gledonda Malay	6/-	6/9
1- Halep	41/3	43/9
2- Heawood	7/-	10/-
1- Highlands & L'lands	1/10	2/3
1- Inch Kenneth	50/-	55/-
2- Jasin	60/-	65/-
2- Kamuning Perak	1/6	2/-
1- Kapar Para	2/-	2/6
2- Kota Tinggi Johore	80/-	85/-
1- Kuala Lumpur	1/5	2/-
2- Labu (F.M.S.)	70/-	75/-
1- Lanadron	4/6	5/-
1- Langen (Java)	35/-	40/-
1- Ledbury	27/6	32/6
2- Linggi Plantation Ord	35/-	45/-
1- London A. R. and Prod.	18/6	20/-
1- Lumut	6/6	7/3
2- Malacca R. P. Ord.	35/-	40/-
1- 7 1/2 p.d. pref.	75/-	80/-
2- Merliman	70/-	77/6
1- Mount Austin	3/9	4/2
1- Nor-anal	17/-	18/-
2- Padang Jawa	17/6	19/-
2- Patallang	2/-	2/3
2- Perak	30/-	32/6
1- Permas	4/-	4/3
1- Pegoh	17/6	20/-
2- Port Dickson	35/-	40/-
1- Rembia Ord.	1/7 1/2	1/10 1/2
1- Rembia Trd.	17/-	20/-
1- R. Invest Plant Trust 12/6 p.d.	18/-	20/-
1- Saggas	10/9	12/6
1- Sapong	110/-	115/-
1- S-afield	6/3	7/-
2- Selangor	70/-	75/-
1- Sendayan	19/-	22/6
1- Seremban	20/-	25/-
1- Shelford	17/6	20/-
1- Siriang	19/-	21/-
2- Singapore Para	45/-	50/-
2- Singapore United	2/-	2/3
2- Straits S. (Bertam)	1/10	2/1 1/2
2- Sumatra Para	3/6	4/-
1- Sungai Choh	6/3	7/-
1- Sungai Kapar	50/-	55/-
1- Sungai Salak	7/-	8/-
1- Sungai Way	50/6	52/9
1- Tebrau (Johore)	70/-	74/-
1- United Sna Betong	35/-	45/-
2- United Serdang (Sumatra)	27/-	31/-
2- United Sumatra	9/-	10/-
2- United Temiang	5/3	7/-
2- Vallambrosa	1/5	1/7 1/2
2- Vallambrosa	15/-	16/9

## DOLLAR SHARES.

1 Alor Gajah	2/55	2/75
1 Ayer Kuning	1/5	1/15
1 Ayer Molek	1/5	2/5
3 Ayer Panas	7/40	8/00
1 Balgownie	3/40	3/65
1 Bukit Jelotong	0/57 1/2	0/70
1 Bukit Katil	0/75	0/80
10 Bukit Limah	11/00	
5 Changkat Serdang	7/25	8/00
1 Glenealy	1/15	1/25
5 Haytor	7/25	7/75
10 Indragiri	8/50	9/50
1 Jeram	1/20	1/30
1 Jimah	0/65	0/75
3 Kelemak	4/00	4/25
2 Kempas	4/70	4/85
5 Limes	4/60	4/10
1 Malaka Pinda	1/95	2/05
2 Malakoff	4/00	4/25
1 Mandai Tekong	0/72 1/2	0/80
3 Mercuri	3/00	3/10
2 New Se. endah	2/60	2/80
5 Nyalas	4/50	4/70
3 Paj-m	14/50	15/50
1 Pantai	1/25	1/35
10 Pulau Bulang \$8.50 p.d.		3/00
1 Punggor	0/60	0/70
3 Radella	9/25	10/00
2 Sandycroft	7/85	8/20
2 Sungai Bagan	1/75	1/90
1 Tambalak	0/75	0/80
10 Tapah	15/00	14/00
2 Teluk Anson	8/25	9/00
2 Trafalgar	0/90	1/00
1 Ulu Pandan	0/50	0/57 1/2
1 United Malacca	1/00	1/10

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## NOTICES

## THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, on Tuesday 1st February 1916, at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915.

THE REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 24th January to TUESDAY 1st February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

The Hongkong Central Estate, Ltd.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary to the General Managers, Hongkong 13th January 1916.

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## THE HONGKONG &amp; WHAM-POA DOCK Co., Ltd.

## NOTICE.

All Shareholders who have taken up and paid for the New Shares offered to them can obtain the Certificates therefor on application at Company's Office in Hongkong on and after the 13th instant.

By Order  
R. M. Dyer,  
Chief Manager.

## CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA, From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS and SHANGHAI, s.s. "CHIYO MARU."

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside. Cargo remaining undelivered on 17th January at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all Goods remaining undelivered on 20th January at noon.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No Claim will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into the Godown, where they will be examined on 26th January at 10 a.m.

No Claim will be recognised if filed after the 28th January 1916.

K. DOL, Acting Agent, Hongkong, 14th January, 1916.

## NOTICES

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

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Subscribed Capital £4,500,000

Paid-up Capital £2,637,500

1. Fire Funds £3,837,047

2. Life and Annuity Funds £1,671,190

Sinking Fund Account £28,250

Revenue Fire Branch £2,837,516

Life and Annuity £2,741,533

Marine Department £32,259

Other Receipts £28,250

The Accumulative Funds of the various Branches are separately invested and by Act of Parliament are set aside to meet the claims under the respective Departments of the Company's business.

## NOTICE.

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO. LTD.

(Capital Paid up £1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.

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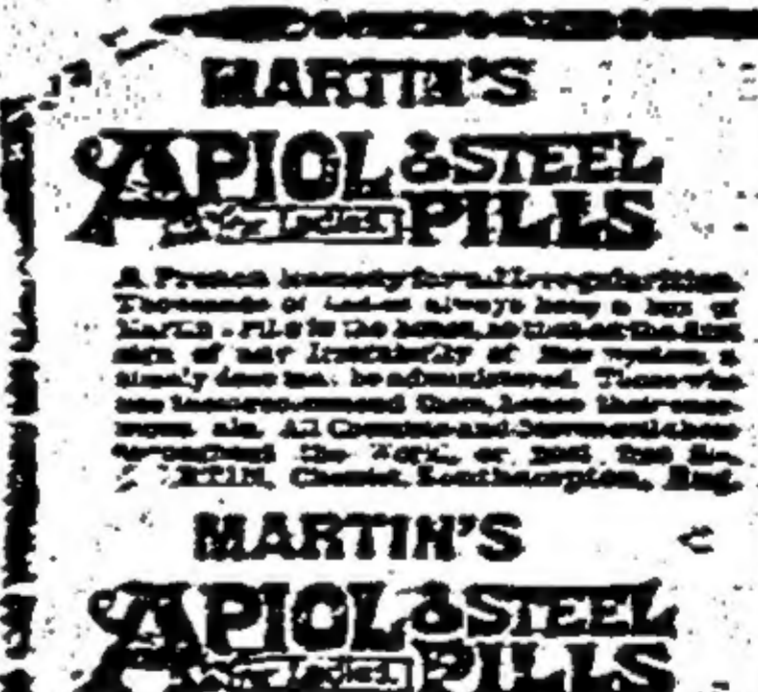
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1890



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## NOTICES

## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Twenty-eighth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd. on Tuesday 1st February 1916 at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915. The Register of shares of the Company will be closed from Thursday 20th January to Tuesday 1st February 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

## NOTICE

## THE HONG KONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED.

Seven hundred and fifty thousand Dollars \$750,000 Debenture Loan.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above named Company are about to pay off 200 Debentures of the Company.

The Debentures to be paid off will be decided by drawing, such drawing will take place at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday the 22nd day of January 1916 at 12.00 o'clock in the forenoon.

Holders of debentures are invited to attend the drawing. Due Notice of the Debentures intended to be paid off will be given after the drawing in accordance with condition No. 2 endorsed on such debentures.

Dated this 13th day of January 1916.

By order of the Directors.

J. H. TAGGART, Acting Secretary.

## NOTICE

## THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY EIGHTH MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Company, Limited, on TUESDAY, 1st February, 1916 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

THE REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 24th January to TUESDAY 1st February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company Limited.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.

## NOTICE

## THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY LIMITED.

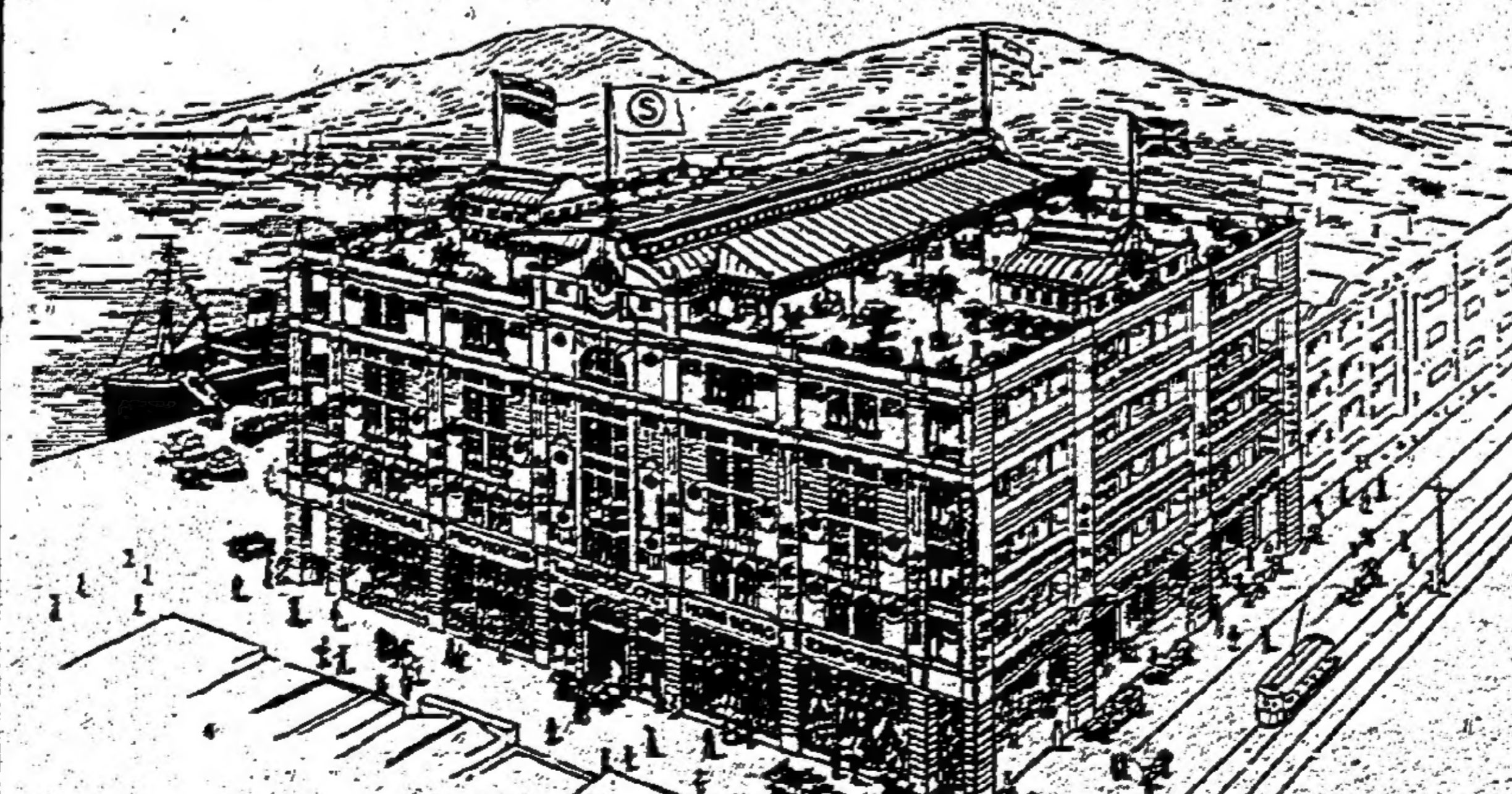
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd. on TUESDAY 1st February, 1916, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1915.

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By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Acting Secretary to the Hongkong Land Reclamation Company Limited.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1916.



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